

Serial No.: 09/748,705

Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for an extension of time of one (1) month for filing the Response To Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment in the above-identified application, such extension to expire 11 April 2002, which time is within the statutory period.

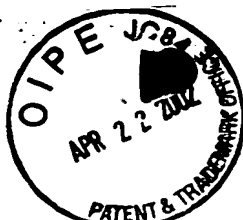
The Fee set in Rule 1.17 for the above-period is enclosed. If there is any deficiency or overage in the Fee required for the above-requested extension, please charge or credit Deposit Account No. 19-3550. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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OF RESPONSE UNDER RULE 1.136(a)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This Petition is filed with the Response To Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment in response to the Office Action mailed 11 February 2002. The time period for submission of this Response To Restriction Requirement and Preliminary Amendment was set to expire 11 March 2002.

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